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TOPIC Military Information from Brandenburg

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REFERENCES

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REMARKS

This is UNEVALUATED Information

1. On 20 February 1953, the Flak Kaserne south of Magdeburger Strasse and east of Zander Strasse was occupied to capacity. The elements which had left the installation had returned. 25X1
the 10 trucks each occupied by 10 to 12 soldiers and each towing a 57-mm AT gun and the 6 to 8 trucks which, each occupied by 8 to 10 soldiers 25X1 left the installation in the direction of Altengrabow on 2 February 25X1
25X1 groups of 20 to 40 soldiers received training on AT guns or were engaged in drill in the installation from 15 to 18 February.¹
2. At 3 p.m. on 16 February, 20 T-34 tanks 25X1
25X1 were entrained at the Altstadt railroad station in Brandenburg, coming from the Pionier Kaserne. The shipment was bound for Satz Korn. At 3 p.m. on 16 February, a tank which came from Parchim and went to Kirchmoeser was seen at the Altstadt railroad station. 25X1
3. On 11 February, about 56 trucks; 32 x 82-mm mortars towed by the trucks which were occupied by about 12 soldiers each; as well as 2 field kitchens and 1 truck with 4 side windows and with trailer entered the Infanterie Kaserne south of Magdeburger Strasse north of Vereins Strasse. The column came from the direction of Nauen.³
4. On 11 February, the Flak Kaserne was occupied to capacity and was guarded by sentries wearing red-bordered black epaulets. Forty-two officers and 246 soldiers lined up in the barracks yard at about 8 a.m. About 190 soldiers were drilling from 8 to 9 a.m. Four 76-mm AT guns were in the rear section of the barracks yard. Eight 76-mm AT guns left the installation toward the rolling mill at about 11 a.m. 25X1
5. On 11 February, the Pionier Kaserne on Einstein Strasse was occupied by a unit wearing red-bordered black epaulets with tank insignia. A column of 8 T-34/85 tanks 25X1 17 trucks; and 2 field kitchens entered the installation from the direction of Nauen at about 1 p.m.

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- [redacted] 25X1
1. [redacted] Comment. The information [redacted] indicates that units of the 20th Army AT Arty Brig [redacted] returned on 14 February 1953, probably from field exercises of the IX Mtz Rifle Corps. The Flak Kaserne could be carried occupied to capacity by units of the brigade after that date. [redacted] It is believed that the elements which departed in the direction of Altengrabow on 2 February had returned. [redacted] 25X1
 2. [redacted] Comment. The 63d Gds Tank Bst of the 10th Gds Tank Div is carried at the Pionier Kaserne. [redacted] The entrainment on 16 February 1953 is believed to have been carried out by units of this regiment whose destination was confirmed as Satzborn [redacted] Elements of the regiment possibly moved for field exercises of the 10th Gds Tank Div which have not yet been reported. [redacted] the headquarters of the 18th Mecz Div in Perleberg until 16 February 1953. [redacted] 25X1
 3. [redacted] Comment. Units of the 20th Army AT Arty Brig [redacted] and individual 120-mm mortars and/or 160-mm mortars are carried as permanent occupation at the Infanterie Kaserne. [redacted] The column mentioned in the present report possibly was an infantry unit of unidentified origin which probably was quartered in the installation only temporarily. [redacted] 25X1

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